

## Senate Resolution 974

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Williams of the 19th, Harp of the 29th, Rogers of the 21st and Seabaugh of the 28th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Michelle Smith Lank; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Michelle Smith Lank is the state recipient of the 2009 Georgia  
3 Occupational Award of Leadership (GOAL), the first program of its type in the nation to  
4 honor outstanding students in postsecondary technical colleges; and

5 WHEREAS, GOAL brings together Georgia's business, government, and industry leaders  
6 with the Georgia technical colleges to celebrate technical education's vital impact on this  
7 state's workforce, prosperity, and future; and

8 WHEREAS, for 38 years, the GOAL program has served as an excellent example of a true  
9 partnership among business, industry, and education; and

10 WHEREAS, Ms. Lank was selected from among 34 college GOAL winners who have  
11 demonstrated excellent academic and leadership ability at their respective technical colleges;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Lank is an early childhood care and education student from Southeastern  
14 Technical College, where she receives hands-on training that provides her with the  
15 knowledge and skills needed in her chosen profession; and

16 WHEREAS, Ms. Lank will serve as an ambassador for technical education in Georgia,  
17 representing more than 156,000 students who benefit from technical education programs  
18 throughout this state; and

19 WHEREAS, in pursuing her education, she has brought honor to herself, her family, her  
20 college, and the Technical College System of Georgia, which she represents as Georgia's  
21 outstanding technical college student for 2009.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
23 congratulate Ms. Michelle Smith Lank for her outstanding achievements and her efforts to  
24 promote technical education in Georgia.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Michelle Smith Lank.